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TO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS:RH, UK, CASC

SUBJECT: ARREST IN RHODESIA OF AMERICAN NUN

REF: PRETORIA 211719

1. DEPT. APPRECIATES YOUR RAPID ACTION IN APPROACHING  
HAWKINS AND OBTAINING INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL.

2. WE REQUEST THAT YOU CONTACT HAWKINS ONCE AGAIN AND  
MAKE THE FOLLOWING POINTS WHICH ARE NO LESS VALID FOR  
BEING OBVIOUS.

-- PRESS AND CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN SISTER JANICE'S  
ARREST IS CONSIDERABLE. WE EXPECT THE LATTER TO GROW AS  
CONGRESS RESUMES FULL ACTIVITIES AFTER LABOR DAY BREAK.

-- WHATEVER THE PARTICULAR CHARGES CONTEMPLATED AGAINST  
SISTER JANICE, THERE IS LITTLE VALUE THAT WE CAN PERCEIVE  
THAT WILL ACCRUE TO THE RHODESIAN REGIME BY HER CONTINUED  
DETENTION WITHOUT CHARGE OR A LENGTHY PROCESS OF TRIAL  
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AND APPEALS.

-- OUR SOLE CONCERN IS THAT SISTER JANICE'S CASE BE DEALT  
WITH HUMANELY AND EXPEDITIOUSLY. HAWKINS' PRINCIPALS MUST

APPRECIATE, HOWEVER, THAT IT IS NOT IN THEIR INTERESTS  
TO ALLOW SISTER JANICE'S ARREST TO BECOME A MAJOR PUBLIC

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